CORRECTED FISCAL NOTE HB 3578 - SB 3828

April 17, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates statutory position of assistant victim-witness coordinator in ten judicial districts.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

On March 8, 2006, we issued a fiscal note which indicated an other fiscal impact - currently, assistant victim-witness coordinators are funded by a federal matching grant (75 percent federal, 25 percent state) in 30 judicial districts. According to the District Attorneys General Conference, the federal funds for these positions are anticipated to be eliminated over the next two years. In FY06-07, there will be sufficient funds available to fund more than 10 positions and no additional state funding will be required beyond the amount included in the governor's budget. In subsequent years, additional state funding in the amount of \$102,100 would be necessary to maintain 10 assistant victim-witness coordinator positions. Based on the additional information provided to us, the estimated fiscal impact of this bill is:

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Other Fiscal Impact - Currently, assistant victim-witness coordinators are funded by a federal matching Byrne grant (75 percent federal, 25 percent state) in 30 judicial districts. According to the District Attorneys General Conference, the federal funds are anticipated to be eliminated over the next two years. The state anticipates allocating matching funds of \$233,000 in FY06-07. The state matching funds are available only to the extent that federal funds are available to be matched. If federal funding is eliminated in future years, the recurring cost in state dollars of funding 10 positions would be \$335,100.

Assumptions:

- General law does not currently establish assistant coordinator positions.
- The total cost of 10 positions is \$335,100.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director